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Atty. Dkt. No: 5681-52900  
Application No: 09/995,226 //  
Inventor(s):  
Patrick P. Hicks and Gary L. Gilbert

Title: A Connector For Electrically Coupling One or More Devices In a Processor-Based System

Examiner: Abrams, Neil  
Group/Art Unit: 2839

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of March 4, 2003.

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